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The certification method of the present invention is primarily performed through the application of a Certification Management System (CMS), generally designated 28 (~~FIGURES 1 and 3~~), to certify the inspection of a roll of web material 20. The CMS 28 either includes or cooperates with web inspection system 21 which is adapted to inspect the roll of web material 20 to detect at least one or more defects, if any, in the web material 20 (FIGURES 2-4). Preferably, as will be described in greater detail, the CMS 28 includes a central Commerce Server 30 which interacts with multiple Remote Servers 31 and web inspection systems 21. Hence, the central Commerce Server 30 functions as a controller enabling the distributed processing of web inspection data.

### **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 2-4, 26 and 39, and amend claims 1, 5-7, 10, 15-19, 21, 24, 27, 31-34, 36-38, 41, 42 and 44, as follows: